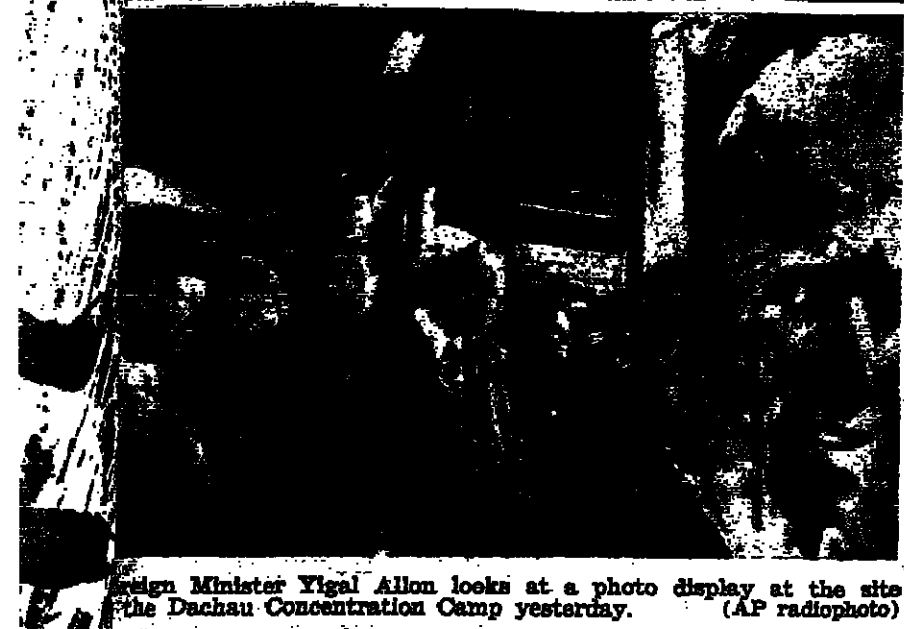




Foreign Minister Yigal Allon looks at a photo display at the site of the Dachau Concentration Camp yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

Allon opens talks with Bonn officials

By BRIAN ARTHUR, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

Foreign Minister Yigal Allon began talks here yesterday with German government and party officials after a moving wreath-laying ceremony at the memorial site of the former Nazi concentration camp near Munich.

Allon flew to Bonn where he had a two-hour meeting with Foreign Minister Hans Dietrich Genscher. Mr. Allon also met with Social Party leader Willy Brandt.

In a full-page interview with the "Welt" newspaper, Mr. Allon, in Bonn for three days of political and economic talks, recalled that the "memory of the mass murder of Jews is vivid in our minds and eternally. It was the most terrible event in the history of the Jewish people and not only an escape from its history. It is the darkest chapter in German history, and perhaps of humanity."

But the Israeli minister said that nobody will hold the young generation responsible for these crimes.

Later yesterday afternoon hundreds of Jews gathered in Bonn for a march through the capital in protest against the Israeli minister's visit and demanding Bonn's recognition of the PLO.

TSUR REMANDED FOR TEN DAYS

By YITZHAK OKED, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Chief Magistrate Shimon Steinberg yesterday remanded for 10 days Michael Tsur, former managing director of the Israel Corporation and chairman of the Zim board.

Newsmen, TV and press photographers and members of Tsur's family were in the packed courtroom.

Sgt. Nitzan Benyamin Siegel, fraud division chief at the national police headquarters, told the court Tsur was suspected of theft, forgery and fraud involving large sums of money.

Siegel said the pace of investigation was being accelerated; Tsur, if released, might influence witnesses and obstruct the enquiry.

He said Tsur is suspected of borrowing money under false pretences and depositing it in Tabor Rosenbaum's companies. A fictitious order was placed for over \$2.5m. of building materials and equipment with a foreign company to transfer money from the Israel Corporation, supposedly in payment. In fact the money went to Rosenbaum.

In 1971, said Siegel, Tsur obtained permission from the Zim board to borrow \$6m. from IC. The money was deposited in one of Rosenbaum's companies, Helvia. The IC board believed the money had gone to Zim but Zim never received it.

On the last day of December 1971 Tsur played the same trick with Helvia, borrowing \$400,000 from IC, supposedly for the refineries, and deposited the money with Helvia — without the refineries knowing they had even been granted a loan.

Some smaller payments were also traced to private accounts abroad, which are being investigated. The police suspect that Tsur has accumulated foreign currency assets outside the country.

Tsur's attorney, Ezer Shimon, said his client had always been available during the past five months of investigation and had voluntarily turned over his passport to police.

Judge Steinberg said he was issuing a 10-day remand order because of the seriousness of the charges.

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Assad wants peace, but only with PLO 'rights'

By ANAN SAFADI, POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

Syrian President Hafez Assad yesterday stopped short of denying he offered to make peace with Israel, but said this would come only after the "rights of the Palestinian people are fully restored."

Assad said the core of the Israel-Arab conflict is the rights of the Palestinians, "not Sinai or the Golan."

Addressing a student rally at Damascus University in the presence of Arab and foreign diplomats, including the American and Soviet ambassadors, the Syrian leader said a lasting settlement in the region cannot be achieved unless "all Arab territories occupied in 1967 are recovered and the rights of the Palestinian people restored."

"I want the whole of the Golan. I want the whole of Sinai, but I also want all rights of the Palestinian people," Assad said.

"What are these rights? The Palestine Liberation Organization should be asked to define them and we shall accept whatever it says," Assad said. He added that some ideas could be found in UN resolutions.

In an apparent comment on Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's step-by-step approach in the Middle East, the Syrian leader said he wanted Arab claims to be treated as "an inseparable entity." The Arabs themselves, he said, should be careful not to slip up by making separate moves. Assad did not make it clear whether he was warning Egypt against a further partial settlement in Sinai or whether he was cautioning the PLO against following an independent strategy.

Assad made no reference to a Tuesday night statement by Kissinger commending him for an interview with "Newsweek" in which he reportedly said he was willing to conclude a peace treaty with Israel if it withdrew to the pre-1967 frontiers and recognized a Palestinian state in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

Earlier, however, a spokesman for Assad issued a statement saying that the media had reported the interview inaccurately. The spokesman said: "On Friday, February 21, President Assad received Arnold de Borchgrave, a senior editor of 'Newsweek' magazine, for a general review of the situation in the region. I emphasize that reports of this meeting carried by information media are not an honest reflection of the content of discussion, particularly concerning the question of a peace treaty."

Paris visit April 18

PARIS (AP). — Israeli Foreign Minister Yigal Allon will pay an official visit to France April 18. Trade Minister Norbert Segard told newsmen yesterday.

Bonn's attitude to the PLO is expected to figure in Mr. Allon's talks here. In his interview with "Die Welt," he said he "accepts the phenomenon" that the Palestinians are in the process of becoming a "people" — a group with its own political interests — but that Israel will not recognize the PLO as the Palestinians' representative.

In his interview, Mr. Allon made clear that Israel continues to seek a dialogue with the European Economic Community similar to the proposed European-Arab dialogue on economic, technological and cultural relations.

In a speech prepared for delivery at a dinner given by Mr. Genscher, Mr. Allon reiterated that he had come to Germany deeply moved by a past "which cuts into my heart." But in an indication of improving relations between the two countries, he also spoke of visible "hope for the future."

Syria holds large-scale war games

POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

Units of the Syrian armed forces yesterday staged large-scale military manoeuvres and stormed mock enemy positions, Damascus radio reported last night.

The manoeuvres were reportedly held at the personal order of President Hafez Assad, who is the Commander-in-Chief of the Syrian armed forces. Assad's deputy commander and Minister of Defence, Maj.-Gen. Mustafa Tlas, attended the exercise.

Neither the type of units involved nor the location of the manoeuvres was disclosed.

The Syrian exercise followed a call from Damascus for Arab states to maintain a high state of military alert to "face future developments." The Syrians intimated these developments might emerge in the event of a deadlock in practical efforts.

Both Damascus and Amman announced yesterday that Jordanian Prime Minister Zaid Rifai would go to Syria on Saturday for a four-day official visit. Rifai will head a high-ranking delegation expected to include Jordan's Chief of Staff, Lt.-Gen. Zaid Ben Shaker.

British sentence Israeli burglars

LONDON (AFP). — Two young Israeli burglars were sentenced yesterday by a London court — one to three months in jail and the other to expulsion. Asher Mas'oud, 21, who took £14,000 worth of goods from a North London home, got the prison sentence. His accomplice, Eliahu Murdali, 20, was fined £1,700 and ordered to leave Britain by today.

Histadrut, Government to set up committee on rift over taxes

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — As the Histadrut demanded mitigation of the effect of the new taxes imposed this week, it was decided yesterday to set up a joint committee with the Government to seek a compromise on the issue.

This was announced following a meeting between a Government team, headed by Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz, and Histadrut trade union chiefs.

Mr. Rabinowitz appealed to the Histadrut to be reasonable in its wage demands "or we are all lost." Mr. Rabinowitz was meeting the Central Committee of the Histadrut in an effort to win its cooperation over the new taxes which, he said, were practically an advance payment on the impending value added tax.

Minister of Transport Gad Ya'acobi said at the meeting that "the needs of the country's economy are also the workers' needs," and recalled that the 1968 economic restraint followed by the Horowitz committee recommendations for regrading. He said the government preferred unpopularity at this moment in order to save the economy in the long run.

Mr. Rabinowitz said the new taxes would increase the burden by no more than three to three and a half per cent. "The public may not even feel it, for part of the increase would be absorbed by the trade, while a part would be muffled by the ensuing brakes on the economy. We lived well enough in 1972 and we must return to that level: in the last year the standard of living actually increased, in spite of all the monetary and fiscal measures of the last year."

The Histadrut executive will be meeting next Thursday. Meanwhile, Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel suggested that the Histadrut and the Government appoint a joint committee to try and reach an agreed solution. Mr. Meshel said the Histadrut would wholeheartedly support the Government only if it were sure the proposed measures heralded "a new style of life in which everybody shares equally in the burden." On this he obtained an immediate promise by Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev who said the government had decided to pursue a special squad of tax inspectors.

The right-wing Labour Federation, Histadrut Ha'ovdim Ha'elumi, yesterday joined the chorus of protest, saying in a statement that the new taxes would create "drastic price increases, mass unemployment and disrupt the national economy and by-lance of labour relations in the country."

On bankruptcy's edge, cities demand higher rates or State aid

By SARAH HONIG, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Union of Local Authorities representatives were meeting with the Ministers of Finance and Interior late last night in an attempt to settle the disputes over the Government's decision to freeze local rates.

The Government has promised the cities compensation for the loss of revenue, but this has done little to cool emotions. The country's mayors complain bitterly that the Interior Ministry actively encouraged the municipalities to raise rates and gave no hint of the abrupt about-turn that was to come. Tinkering on the brink of bankruptcy, the cities fear the promised compensation will be inadequate and that it will not be based on fixed and fair criteria.

The chairman of the Union of Local Authorities, Holon Mayor Pinhas Eylon, told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that "the contemptuous manner of the Government announcement" was to be brought up at the meeting.

He said that while the cities are satisfied on compensation, they will defy the freeze and go ahead with rate hikes already decided upon. Mr. Eylon said: "There is no law that forbids us from increasing rates. This is solely within the authority of the local governments. We are elected officials, not Government functionaries who can be ordered about."

"We don't want handouts, no matter how large," Mr. Eylon said. "One-time gestures of Government generosity will solve nothing and will rob the cities of their last vestige of independence, turning the municipalities into nothing but Government departments." The Treasury might as well do away with individual local governments and take over city management directly, he said. The Holon mayor said the cities want the present "inadequate rate system, which is based on apartment size and does not reflect economic fluctuations," to be replaced.

The cities have long advocated the adoption of a revenue-sharing system in which local governments would receive a fixed share of the national tax income. It is expected that the demand also was to be raised at last night's meeting.

The Interior Ministry is reported to oppose the Treasury's freeze of local rates, as the cities may run up a bill accumulated deficit of one billion pounds next year.

Rabin at Mitla

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin yesterday toured the Mitla Pass area and spoke with soldiers there during a visit to Sinai. The Premier, who was accompanied by Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur, viewed the buffer zone and was briefed by senior officers. At the start of his Sinai visit, the Premier and Mrs. Rabin, along with other parents, attended a passing-out ceremony for new Armoured Corps officers; one of the new officers is their son, Yuval Rabin. (See photo, Page 2)

Beirut Speaker asks halt to terror attacks

POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

A leading Lebanese political figure yesterday urged the Palestine Liberation Organisation to cease terrorist attacks on Israel from southern Lebanon "promptly."

Kamel el-As'ad, Speaker of Lebanon's 98-man parliament, said the terrorists should not involve Lebanon in a solo confrontation with Israel at a time when the front-line Arab states were involved in Dr. Kissinger's peace efforts.

Assad made the remarks in a statement signed by his Socialist Democratic Party which derives its political power from southern Lebanon villages. The statement follows last weekend's attempt by the radical Popular Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine to infiltrate a number of its men into northern Israel. One of the men was killed, but the others escaped back into Lebanon.

Terrorist's house demolished

Security forces yesterday demolished the house of the man who last November planted a bomb in the fuse box of a house in Mishmar Hagvul in Jerusalem's Ramat Hashikma quarter. The bomb exploded but no one was hurt. The terrorist, who was caught a few weeks ago together with a number of other persons, lives in Beit Duhuk village, south-west of Ramallah.

Moscow and Iran sign economic agreement

MOSCOW (AP). — The Soviet Union and Iran signed an agreement on Tuesday to cooperate on an estimated \$3,000m. worth of economic projects, including a paper mill to be built in the Soviet Union with Iranian credits, a top Iranian official said.

Ford says U.S. to act against Arab boycott

By WOLF BLITZER, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — President Ford lashed out yesterday against the Arab economic boycott of Jewish banking houses, declaring that the United States would fully investigate all allegations of discriminatory practices and that appropriate action would be taken under the law.

Such discrimination is totally contrary to the American tradition and repugnant to American principles," the President told a press conference in Hollywood, Florida.

He said foreign businesses could invest in the U.S. only so long as they conformed to the principles of American society.

As Ford spoke, Treasury Secretary William Simon began a conference with Saudi Arabian officials expected to clarify guidelines for foreign investment in the U.S. but avoid official discussions of the Arab boycott of firms doing business with Israel.

Treasury officials said high oil prices were also not on the official agenda of talks between Simon and Saudi Finance Minister Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Khalil. These topics will be discussed during private side meetings, if at all, the officials said.

The main intent of the two-day meeting of the joint U.S.-Saudi Arabian Economic Commission is to decide how the U.S. can help diversify the Saudi Arabian economy quickly.

Treasury officials said, however, that Saudi Arabia as well as other major Arab oil producing nations and Iran wanted the U.S. to clarify its policy on direct foreign investment here.

"This is bound to come up," a Treasury official said. "Historically we have welcomed foreign investment in the U.S. with a minimum of restrictions. But we have felt that with regard to the rapid rise in the price of oil and the shift of international assets, this should be reviewed."

Secretary of State Kissinger told a press conference Tuesday the Administration was "totally opposed to any discrimination, in any form" and he similarly warned that the U.S. was looking into needed legal remedies.

The issue of the Arab boycott of Jewish banks and the spreading Arab blacklist against firms doing business with Israel also received the attention yesterday of Sen. Frank Church's Foreign Relations Subcommittee on multi-national organizations.

Waiting a thick stack of documents containing the names of 1,500 Jews entering the country.

However, Harold Saunders, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, said the law was somewhat ambiguous.

Mr. Saunders denied any knowledge of whether the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (Opic), a semi-government organization, was asked to drop a Jewish businessman from a Middle East project.

Mr. Saunders said the State Department felt quiet diplomacy was the best way of ending the boycott and getting Saudi Arabia to drop its general restrictions against letting Jews enter the country.

KISSINGER DUE IN AREA NEXT WEEK

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger will leave on March 5 for an extended tour of the Middle East to work out the next stage of an Egyptian-Israeli peace settlement, U.S. officials said yesterday.

Dr. Kissinger will stop first in Cardiff, Wales, to be present when British Foreign Secretary James Callaghan receives the freedom of the city. Dr. Kissinger will then fly on to the Middle East for a trip expected to last at least 10 days. His first Middle East stop will be in Cairo on March 8.

State Department spokesman Robert Anderson said the final timetable on the Middle East talks has not been reached. However, other officials indicated Kissinger would go from Egypt to Syria and then to Israel.

Egypt seeks French, British guarantees too

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — Egypt beyond the next phase of Secretary has asked Britain and France to join America and Russia in guaranteeing a final Middle East peace settlement, diplomatic sources said yesterday.

The requests, made through diplomatic channels, were seen here as a sign that Egypt was looking for

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Snow on the Hermon, showers in the north, scattered showers in the center, and partly cloudy in the south. Weather synopsis: A barometric low over southern Turkey is causing showers, mainly in the north.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Min-Max
Jerusalem	68	8-11	7-11
Colan	65	12-17	12-17
Nahariya	52	13-17	12-17
Safed	58	6-10	5-10
Haifa	61	11-16	10-16
Tiberias	51	10-21	10-20
Afula	52	8-17	7-17
Shomron	71	11-16	10-16
Tel Aviv	71	11-16	10-16
B-G Airport	55	8-18	8-18
Jaricho	49	9-21	9-21
Gaza	40	11-18	10-18
BeerSheva	60	7-17	6-17
Eilat	25	11-22	12-23
Tiran	37	11-22	12-23

Social and Personal

Supreme Court Justice Haim Cohn will be the guest speaker at a ladies' day luncheon meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club at the ZOIA House at 1.15 today.

IN MEMORIAM

A memorial meeting on the shloshim for Joel (Bulkin) Ben-Or will be held at Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem at 7.30 this evening.

ARRIVALS

David Longridge, Vice-President and General Manager, "Avis-Rent-a-Car, Europe, Africa and Middle East, and Vincent Censor, General Manager, for the opening of Israel Avis House (by British Airways).

Eilat Honeg, director of the Hebrew University's Department of Information and Public Affairs, from a university mission in the U.S.

Jerusalem police disperse unruly Purim crowd

Jerusalem Post Staff
Police yesterday evening dispersed a crowd of some 30 youth who attempted to tear down a road block in Jerusalem's Rehov Malchei Yisrael, near the Orthodox Mea Shearim Quarter. The road blocks had been put up to keep traffic out of the Orthodox quarter where residents were celebrating Shushan Purim in the streets.

The youths, two of whom were arrested, all came from the nearby Bukharian quarter. They threw stones and tried to overturn a few parked cars before they were dispersed. No damage was reported. In more peaceful Purim celebrations, dozens of Habad hassidim arrived at forward IDF positions in Sinai and the Golan to make merry with the soldiers. The sound of hassidic tunes coming from an IDF base on the Sinai lines prompted UN soldiers in the buffer zone to request permission to join the festivities. But their request, submitted through an Israeli liaison officer, was received too late.

In Ramat Gan, the Bar-Ilan University Musicology Department gave a Purim party for disabled soldiers. University students also played host to war bereaved families and youngsters from development towns.

Woman injured in minefield

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TIBERIAS. — A 30-year old woman of Bu'eneh, near Nazareth, lost both feet yesterday when she stepped on an anti-personnel mine on the Golan Heights.

Issa Fuskra was among a group of women from her village who were picking aromatic and edible plants some five kilometers east of Ein Giv. She wandered into a field mined by the Syrians and which is marked by keep out signs.

She was extricated by army sappers and rushed to hospital.

Infantry now has better equipment, says Peres

One of the lessons learned from the Yom Kippur War is that infantrymen must be equipped with more effective anti-tank weapons, Defence Minister Shimon Peres said yesterday at a paratroop exercise in Sinai. He added that much had already been done in this respect.

Speaking to paratroop officers and enlisted men, the Defence Minister praised their spirit and high standards, noting that for every vacancy in their unit there were three volunteers.

Earlier in the day, Peres witnessed a training exercise of an armoured division.

Dayan says Arabs don't want peace

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — Moshe Dayan, M.K. said here yesterday before leaving for a Joint Israel Appeal mission in Britain that the Arabs had made it clear they did not want to make peace with Israel.

The former Defence Minister was commenting on a "Newsweek" report quoting Syrian President Hafiz Assad as saying he would be prepared to sign a peace treaty with Israel if it withdrew to the pre-1967 borders. (Assad has since qualified the report — see Page 1).

Mr. Dayan observed that it was not what "Newsweek" writes that matters but what the Arabs — "and in this case Assad" — say. "The Arabs have said outright that they do not want to make peace," Dayan said. The Syrian attitude was very stubborn, he added, "and I have not yet heard Egypt say it wants peace with us."

(Nim)

Labour group wants talks before Dr. K

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party's influential Etgar ideological circle has called for a meeting of the Party's Central Committee before Dr. Kissinger's next visit.

Herzliya Mayor Yosef Nevo, who is Etgar circle chairman, submitted this appeal to Party Secretary General Meir Zarmi and to Premier Rabin, arguing that, as fateful decisions may have to be taken, it would be valuable for the Premier and his Cabinet to enjoy the majority support of the Central Committee. The Etgar circle is composed of former senior army officers including Aharon Yariv, M.K.

Soldier killed in collision

RAMLE. — A soldier, passenger in an army Carmel car, was fatally injured yesterday morning in a collision with an army pickup truck on the Emek Ayalon road near here.

Eyewitnesses said the truck had swerved to the left side of the road and collided with the Carmel and a taxi cab. The two army drivers were also hurt, but the soldier-passenger died in hospital of his injuries. None of the names released.

THE SHLOMI Local Council's 80 employees yesterday went on strike in protest against not yet having received their January salaries. The strike does not include the local schools or their kitchens, which provide Shlomi children with hot lunches.

A JERUSALEMITE, Nissim Bergin, 40, was yesterday sentenced to two days in jail and fined IL100 for assaulting the assistant principal of the Rehovot elementary school because his son had been sent home for hitting other pupils.



A newly-graduated tank commander gets his Lieutenant's bars pinned on at a ceremony somewhere in Sinai yesterday. Among the proud parents invited to the passing-out parade were Prime Minister and Mrs. Yitzhak Rabin, whose son Yuval completed the course. Doron Levi, son of Border Police commander Haim Levy, was another graduate. The parade was taken by O.G. Armoured Corps, Aluf Moshe Peled. (Appa)

Arab world coordinating massive arms purchases

The way in which the different Arab states have gone about their colossal arms-buying since the Yom Kippur War, according to reliable sources, indicates there is a coordinated Arab plan to build up a common arsenal for use against Israel.

The size of the orders — \$18,000m. so far — is unprecedented for states not considered major powers. The sources believe it reflects an Arab decision — made probably at last year's Rabat Arab summit — to rely on the military option in their dispute with Israel.

The sources note that there is no indiscriminate arms-buying. From the types of arms each state buys, it can be seen that the Arabs have an arrangement determining which of them buys what, and which kinds of arms are to be transferred to neighbouring countries.

They add that it is false to say Egypt has not benefited from the shipments which the Soviets have managed to deliver so far — some \$4,000m. worth. Egypt has received almost everything it needs, the

Syrians, who lost some 200 planes in the war, have already received more than 300 from the Soviets about 50 of them latest-model Mig 23s and Sukhoi 208s. Syria has also received 1,100 tanks, many of them T62s, and hundreds of armoured vehicles. Its Frog missiles have been augmented with Scuds, and it has also acquired 10 ground-to-air missile batteries, plus Soviet naval craft. East Germany has supplied hundreds of tank-transports.

Since the war Egypt has received more than one thousand tanks, half of them the latest model — the T62. Egypt has also received hundreds of Soviet armoured personnel carriers, about 100 artillery pieces; 15 missile batteries of various types; Frog and Scud surface missiles; a number of naval craft; and bridge-laying equipment.

In aircraft there was an initial delay in supply; but Mig 23s have recently begun arriving. Egypt has already received the Mirage IIIs which Saudi Arabia bought for her, along with dozens of helicopters.

Under the inter-Arab purchasing programme, Egypt will get additional Soviet-built Mirages, as well as Mirage F-1s she herself ordered on President Sadat's last trip to France. Another agreement is due to be signed soon with Britain, for assembling 250 Lynx helicopters in Egypt.

Libya has concluded a gigantic arms deal with the Soviets: one estimate puts it at about \$2,000m. The Libyans obviously intend to transfer part of these arms to other Arab states, just as the Saudis intend to transfer their Western arms to Egypt, the sources say.

Putting up a solid front would pay the Arabs back in their own coin. The chances for another war in the near future are remote, said Aluf Herzog, although "the world is getting psychotic about it" and Ford keeps mentioning it. Jordan's King Hussein is stronger now than after the Rabat convention, when everybody was talking about Yasser Arafat. From the purely mili-

Herzog tells Canadian Zionists:

Arms build-up in Persian Gulf more dangerous than neighbours'

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Former military intelligence chief Haim Herzog, yesterday warned that a "sharpening of knives" in the Persian Gulf — including the building of war machines in Iran and Saudi Arabia and construction of a Soviet naval base in Iraq — could prove much more dangerous to Israel than an arms build-up by its immediate neighbours.

Aluf (res.) Herzog was addressing 356 delegates to the 41st National Convention of the Zionist Organization of Canada — which is now meeting in Israel for the first time — at a festive luncheon in the Knesset.

Many prevalent beliefs about the Middle East conflict are illusions, he said. "We should debunk the so-called oil threat. One of the reasons that the Yom Kippur War was fought was that Sadat felt he couldn't use oil as an economic weapon without first starting a conflict with Israel. The energy 'shortage' did not result from the October war."

Mr. Herzog reminded the audience of "a little-known fact," that Iraq and Libya did not join the oil embargo at that time. Oil was there for the taking if one had the money. "Today, there is a glut in the oil market — the super-tankers are full to the brim. So when President Ford repeats that there must be an advance in the Arab-Israeli conflict because of oil, he is either misleading us or being misled. The use of the petrodollars is, however, a problem."

Recalling that about a year ago he entreated Jewish organizations — without success — to set up a world Jewish body to counter the Arab oil boycott, Aluf Herzog asked the delegates to take his advice now, before it was too late. "It should be organized and open. We have power in some areas."

European b'ball cup game tonight

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv Maccabi basketballers tonight face the French champions, Besik, in the first leg of their contest for place in the semi-finals of the European Cup competition.

The game at the Yad Eliyahu sports palace will be relayed live, on the radio from 8.45 and television from 9 o'clock.

Maccabi's opening five are expected to be Brody, Pless, Boatwright, Menkin and Berkowitz. The return game will be played in France next week.

Bobby Moore here to meet coaches

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The former captain of the England national soccer team, Bobby Moore, now playing for Fulham, and Allen Septon, youth coach of the same club, arrived last night as guests of the Football Coaches Association.

They will lecture in Haifa, Jerusalem, BeerSheva and Tel Aviv on a new system for training young footballers. Moore remains here till Monday and Septon will be here for a further week.

THE HAIFA Municipal Council yesterday unanimously approved Mayor Yosef Almog's proposal to enter into a township pact with Cape Town. What form the pact is to take will be discussed later.

Canada supports right to exist in peace

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau has stated that his Government "supports in every respect the right of Israel to exist in peace as an independent state within secure and recognized boundaries, free from threat and acts of force."

In a letter written last week, and read before delegates to the Zionist Organization of Canada's national convention at the Jerusalem Hilton last night, Mr. Trudeau said: "It is our sincere wish that the legitimate concerns of the peoples and countries in the Middle East, as elsewhere, be settled without resort to violence or terrorist activities."

100 U.S. professors won't cooperate with Unesco

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — More than 100 U.S. professors currently in Israel have signed a statement indicating their refusal to cooperate with Unesco until that body's anti-Israel resolutions are reversed.

U.S. Ambassador to Israel Kenneth Keating received a copy of the statement from leaders of the professors yesterday at the Embassy. The original statement was sent to Mrs. Simone Trolsgros, chairman of the standing committee of the international non-governmental organizations of Unesco which is meeting in Paris.

Prof. William Brinner of the Uni-

versity of California, chairman of the American Professors for Peace in the Middle East, Israel office, headed the delegation that met Ambassador Keating.

After the meeting, Prof. Brinner said he "looked forward to efforts by the international academic community to do everything possible to pressure Unesco and its agencies to depoliticize its decisions so that academics might renew their ties with the organization."

Prof. Brinner was accompanied by Mrs. Helen Rifkin, acting director of the American professors group, and Prof. Paul B. Sigler of the University of Chicago.

At a press conference earlier in the day, convention chairman Max Gaddy and Zionist Organization president Daniel Monson complained that the Israel information campaign in Canada gets too little cooperation from Israel. They called for more coordination in the presentation of Israel's cause, which is being smothered by the hundreds of millions of dollars spent on propaganda by the Arabs each year in the U.S. and Canada.

A kind winter, says Water Authority

By YAA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — "This has been a good winter, both for the country's water resources and for the farmers. Another few winters like it would solve a number of problems for us," Mekorot spokesman Mordechai Yacobiowitz said yesterday.

Rainfall in the coastal area is 30 per cent above the average for the end of February and in other areas it is above 90 per cent.

The level of Lake Kinneret, the country's principal water reservoir, rose by 14 cm. during the past week and a total of 20 cm. since the start of the rainy season. Every centimetre in the level of the lake means 1.6m. cubic metres of water added or lost, the last week's rain replenished the reservoir by over 23m. cum.

"The lake level now stands at 210.6 metres below sea level. The ideal level is 209 metres, or 160 cm. higher. The winter is not yet over and we count on more rain. We are no longer worried,"

the spokesman for the Water Authority continued.

The lake holds some 4,000 m. cu. Each year 300 m. cu. m. is lost cause of evaporation against no effective means has yet been discovered. Another 400 m. cu. m. pumped out into the National Carrier, and another 220 m. cu. m. supplied to Akko and Migdal, thence to the lake. The lake level is not only because it aggravates the diminished pressure on the floor allows underground water to mix with the fresh water. Mekorot tries to keep the water down to a managed 100,000 tons by diverting the springs.

Speaking during a press conference on the water situation in the north, the Mekorot spokesman said the catchment in reservoirs had not out to be a good investment. The big reservoir fed by the Mea Shearim had already filled up 160 cm. higher. The winter is not yet over and we count on more rain. We are no longer worried,"

Mifal Hapayis flash draw back today, 'foolproof'

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The zuta flash draw of the state lottery, Mifal Hapayis, is back, starting tomorrow.

The flash draw was stopped nearly a year ago when a Jerusalem lottery ticket vendor claimed that he had broken the zuta code, and could calculate the number inside the closed counterfoil of each payis ticket.

As a result of this finding, and of other weak points in the zuta, such as poor glue which made it easy to open and then re-seal the zuta counterfoil, sales dropped from about IL3m. a week to IL1.5m. and the state lottery was forced to stop the sale of the zuta.

The State lottery also requested Professor Yosef Gills, a Wismann Institute mathematician, to head a committee of experts to look into the whole system. They discovered that the main reason that the hidden number was guessed was poor mixing of tickets.

Mifal Hapayis spokesman Mr. Talmon said yesterday that a plan to buy an electronic machine until then the zuta will be by hand, but to avoid further claims, the tickets will be mixed twice.

Officials of the Government Printer (where the tickets are printed) and a representative of the lottery will from time to time check that the tickets are not running consecutive order. The lottery also check that vendors are peeking into the counterfoils.

A representative of the Government Printer, Uzi Rave, said they were now printing the 40,000 five-coloured tickets in the glue being used now is of better quality and a dry stamp is used so that the zuta is not glued back after it has been opened. The paper used in the zuta is such that it cannot be pierced infra-red or any other penetrant lights, the Government Printer is

Kupat Holim to charge for house calls — maybe

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — By one vote — 17 against 16 — the supervisory committee of Kupat Holim yesterday evening voted to charge members IL6 for each house call by a physician.

Because of the closeness of the vote and because dozens of committee members drifted away during the four-hour debate chairman Aharon Becker announced there would be an "emergency session" soon to vote again on the matter.

Under the proposal, as outlined by Dr. Haim Doron, Medical Director of Kupat Holim, the Hestadrut sick fund will pay each family doctor IL20 — and each pediatrician IL25 — for a house call. Patients would be called upon to contribute IL6 of this.

At present, he noted, few doctors were willing to make house calls. The result was that many a patient would wait until his clinic was closed and then call a Magen David Adom duty doctor — paying him IL40. (Kupat Holim reimburses IL30 of this).

Opposition to the proposal came from Mapam and Herut. The Herut members said it would undermine the "mutual aid" foundation of the Hestadrut.

Mapam protested against the inflationary aspect: it estimated that each clinic doctor paying house calls would now earn about IL2,000 more a month, and said other members of the medical profession might demand the same.

Detainees' families ask Halevi to help

A delegation of Arab women, representing the families of 50 administrative detainees in Judea and Samaria, yesterday asked Knesset Member Binyamin Halevi to help effect their release.

The women, who called on Dr. Halevi at his home in Jerusalem, said the men had been arrested over nine months ago and were still being held despite the recommendation of an advisory committee to the Military Government that they be freed after nine months.

Some of the detainees are on a hunger strike. It was reported yesterday that Dr. Halevi (Likud) promised that he would clarify the matter with the Minister of Defence, together with Knesset Members from other factions.

(Nim)

Gov't promises spinning plants IL10m. in credit

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Government yesterday made two promises to spinners owners who according dropped a threat to close down March 10. The owners were promised up to IL10m. in credit buy cotton and a IL6m. Government investment in joint purchases of raw materials abroad.

This was the result of a meeting the owners had with the Director General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Moshe Mandelbaum, the secretary of the Textile Workers Union and labour and representatives from Kiryat Shmona, Nahariya, Petah Tikva and Dimona. Mr. Mandelbaum said he would study the suggestion that there should not be imported. He said there are standing agreements with foreign nations about yarn import, but a 12.5 per cent duty would be imposed, and the Cotton Board's stop subsidizing imported yarn, manufacturers said they will be the price of yarn sold to textile owners.

Avant-garde director gets Habimah post

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Habimah National Theatre's new artistic director will be 36-year-old Yossi Zarelli. The appointment was announced yesterday by the Ministry of Education and Culture after consultation with the National Theatre board of governors.

The choice of one of the controversial avant-garde directors for the prime position surprised many persons. In the past years, Zarelli has not done a stage work but has devoted himself to teaching at the Tel Aviv University School of Drama, and has been involved in literary campaigns.

His last play at the Habimah Theatre some years ago was the spear's "Merchant of Venice," which was described as a costly flop.

In a move to counteract the price of Yisrael's selection, Habimah chose Shlomo Bar-Shavit as assistant artistic director. Veteran actor Shmuel Rodan was forced to vacate the artistic post, was named chairman of the company's repertoire committee.

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Tel Aviv launching clean-up campaign

By SARAH HONG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — An unprecedented clean-up campaign is to begin in Tel Aviv today, the main features being a thorough cleaning of all the city's markets and an anti-littering parade.

Arye Krenmer, head of the city's sanitation department, said yesterday that the campaign will begin this Sunday with a week-long facelift of the markets. To facilitate cleaning and repair work, the largest markets, Ha Carmel and the Bnei Zion, will be closed from 5 p.m. today until 2 p.m. Sunday.

The wholesale fruit and vegetable market will be closed for the campaign between 5 p.m. today and 2 p.m. Saturday. The section of the Jaffa sea market in Rehov Ben-Zion will be closed to the public on Monday. The Rehov Aliza poultry market, as well as the Ramat Yisrael, Basle and Ben-Zion markets, will be cleaned, although it will not be necessary to close them for the job.

During the periods when the markets are closed, fire department high pressure water cannons will douse the streets, pesticides will be sprayed, sewage systems will be cleaned out, and potholes will be repaired. The stands and stores also will be improved.

Mr. Krenmer said that from March 9 to March 19 the sanitation department will clean empty plots, yards, pavements and streets. The public will be able to discard any refuse and junk, which will be removed to garbage dumps. Old signs and fences will be removed, and roads will be repaired. Inspection of sanitation facilities in city eating places will be intensified.

Tel Aviv will have one of its first parades in years at 4:30 p.m. on March 12, when hundreds of youth movement members proceed from Sderot Ben-Gurion to Zena Ditzengoff Circle, carrying anti-littering slogans. The marchers will be greeted by Mayor Shlomo Lahat. The city youth band and new sanitation vehicles will join in the event.

Mr. Krenmer stated that another aspect to the anti-littering drive is an increase in the number of summer houses issued to litterbugs, now averaging 100 a week in the centre of town. The fines for litterbugging range from IL50 to IL500, although the high fines are seldom imposed.

Schoolchildren will also participate in the clean-up campaign, one of their jobs being painting walls and fences in the city.

Haifa port won't re-hire 50 Druse

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Haifa port management can not re-employ the 50 Druse stevedores, the port spokesman said yesterday. He asserted that, because of the Government by the Druse Community Minister of Communications, the port will find it difficult to use all of its 1,400 permanent stevedores.

The spokesman reported that most of the 300 temporary men (70 were dismissed in January) were Druse. This, he explained, was because the labour market has been tight in recent years with few Jewish workers available. He added that many Druse were given permanency as openings developed, including 53 in April, 1974. There are 160 Druse among the 1,400 permanent stevedores.

According to the spokesman, smaller work gangs are now used at the port because of extensive use of containers. As an example, he said a single gang of stevedores now unloaded 3,000 tons of cargo shipped in containers in a single shift, whereas 20 gangs had been necessary for the same amount of cargo shipped in individual units.

He further added there has been a reduction in imports due to the recession. However, he added that even if the cargo volume returned to normal, the port would not need extra men for many years. He predicted large-scale unemployment of the permanent staff when the citrus season ends.

Meanwhile, The Post learned that the Labour Council appeals committee will probably accept most of the 50 dismissals as inevitable. The committee may take a firm stand on some of the men, over the age of 50, who have been working in the port for about five years and will find it difficult to obtain other work.

The committee last night proposed several solutions to be discussed with the port manager today. One is that the dismissals be postponed until the men find alternative work. Other proposals were to pay enlarged severance pay to the veteran workers and to form groups of workers to travel to Eilat where there is a shortage of manpower.

Data processing firms protest: 'Yamit computer project is waste of taxpayers' money'

TEL AVIV. — A sharp protest against a plan to set up a computer data processing company in the new city of Yamit as "a waste of the taxpayers' money" was voiced here yesterday by a spokesman for six such firms already operating in Israel.

Amir Shur, chairman of the Association of Data Processing Companies, told reporters that the project would threaten the livelihood of some 1,200 families connected with the six firms. He said the project would cost IL120m. in Government funds — "and this at a time of economic crisis and a glut in the computer-based industry in Israel and throughout the world."

Mr. Shur rejected the notion that the Yamit computer project would be justified by its absorption of 50 immigrant professionals and their families. The country's existing data processing companies, he claimed, had absorbed 100 such immigrants in the last year "without any government assistance at all."

He also charged that two senior officials of the Treasury's Office of Mechanization Centre were due to become shareholders and managers in the Yamit project, which they had helped initiate. He said the Association had asked the State Comptroller to look into the ethics involved "in civil servants setting up a commercial company." (Nim)

President off to America

President Katsir was scheduled to leave today for a visit to the U.S. during which he will meet with President Ford at the White House.

Professor Katsir is to open an Israeli Bonds drive in Miami and subsequently attend scientific gatherings in Boston and New York. He will also be awarded honorary doctorates at Brandeis and Michigan universities and at the New York Polytechnic Institute.

Free books only for younger Tel Aviv pupils

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Pupils in the first to sixth grade here next fall will continue to receive free text books and exercise books, contrary to a decision the municipal executive made two weeks ago.

The city's earlier decision to end the practice of distributing free books and to abolish the annual IL35 education fee parents pay raised an uproar. The head of the city education department, Deputy Mayor Haim Basok, also came out against the move.

As a result, the municipality has decided that only students in the seventh grade or above will have to buy their books from September onwards. Their parents will not be charged the IL35 fee. It will be asked of parents of pupils in the lower grades who will continue getting free supplies.

But the city says that by September, 1976, it will also cease its free-books policy for the lower grades. Tel Aviv is one of the few localities which provides books free.

Rassco 'out of trouble' in foreign project

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

Reports that Rassco building company has got into financial difficulties in a building project abroad are dismissed by the company's chairman, Meir De Schallit.

He told The Jerusalem Post last night that Rassco has a one-third share in a German company (associated with Ignaz Bubla, investor in the Laromne hotels in Israel), which itself has a half share in the building project.

Price inflation has pushed costs up sharply on the site, and the agency that contracted the job was slow in revising the payment tables. "A month or two ago we were beginning to be alarmed. But at the beginning of February the adjustment was made, with retroactive application, and we are out of the woods."

"I'd like to make the point that we are not committed (and are not allowed by the Controller of Foreign Exchange to be committed) to more than \$4m. on this assignment — so we would not under any circumstances have lost more than that sum."

"As it is we expect to make a respectable profit," De Schallit concluded.

TWO NEW JERUSALEM quarters — Gilo and East Talpote — have just acquired postal agencies, the Communications Ministry announces. The agencies will be open mornings six days a week, and between 4 and 6 p.m. except on Tuesdays and weekends.

El Arish flood toll stands at eleven dead

Jerusalem Post Staff

BEERSHEBA. — The number of bodies recovered from the week-end's massive flooding of the Wadi el-Arish basin in Sinai is 11 — not 16 as previously reported — the Gaza and North Sinai police said yesterday. They added that five of the dead were children.

Searches are continuing through north and central Sinai for other persons still missing, but the full total will not be known until the many Beduin families scattered by the rain and flood have been reunited. Meanwhile, repair work continues on roads damaged by the storm.

A special committee of the Military Government, the El Arish Municipality and the heads of Beduin tribes has been set up to assess the extent of the damage from the flood, the worst in Sinai in living memory.

Meanwhile, the Egyptian government has asked the International Red Cross to transfer relief aid to the flood victims, it was reported in Cairo yesterday. The aid was said to have been ordered by Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

The Israel Defence Forces have in the meantime been providing the flood victims with large-scale aid in cooperation with Red Cross officials.



Yaffa with her family in hospital in Beersheba after having been aroused from her hypnotic trance yesterday. (Ippa)

Sleeping beauty wakes with a smile

Jerusalem Post Staff

BEERSHEBA. — Dimona schoolgirl Yaffa Sulasa, placed in a hypnotic trance a week ago, finally awoke at Soroka Medical Centre here yesterday afternoon — and smilingly said she remembers everything.

The 16-year-old girl, whose first name means beautiful, is known to have had psychiatric treatment in the past. She was hypnotized at a school Purim party by an entertainer who was unable to restore her to consciousness. She was brought out of her trance yesterday by Dr. Maurice Kleinhaus, head of the Community Mental Health Centre in Jaffa.

After her two-hour de-hypnotization, the girl ate and drank with a good appetite and said she felt well. She is expected to be released from hospital today or tomorrow.

Dr. Kleinhaus, a leading medical hypnotist, did not wish to give details of how he brought the girl — who he said had been conscious throughout her experience — back to normality. But he said there was not the least doubt that she will be her old self.

He added that the only surprising thing about the case was that it had taken the girl so long to come out of her trance. He hoped the case would lend force to the move, sponsored by the Association for Medical Hypnosis (which he heads), to have non-medical uses of hypnosis outlawed. (At present, medical hypnosis can only be performed by licensed practitioners, but there is no ban on entertainment use of hypnosis.)

Education Minister Aharon Yadin said yesterday in answer to a question from an "Ethi" reporter that his Ministry plans, after further study, to issue orders banning the use of hypnosis in school entertainments.

Koor prepares for nuclear industry

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Koor Industries are taking their first claims in the nuclear energy sector. A task force of engineers has been set up to gather know-how and launch initial steps for the large-scale participation of Koor in future nuclear energy plant projects.

The latest issue of Koor's fortnightly information bulletin, released for distribution yesterday, reveals that Koor is preparing itself for active participation in the construction of the first plant, due to be completed by the early 'eighties at an estimated cost of some \$500m.

Koor plants expected to participate in the venture include Vulcan Engineering, Hama, and the steel pipe factories at Sarafand and Acre.

Koor engineer Dan Vaisnky, who will supervise the task force, stated that Israel's first nuclear energy plant is scheduled to go into operation by the early 'eighties and that it will be followed by additional plants at a rate of about one every year. He believes that local manpower and components will account for an initial 40 per cent of the total construction needs. This should later rise to 70 per cent.

Lapidot chief says finding oil won't be easy

TEL AVIV. — Mordechai Chen, managing Director of Lapidot, Israel's principal oil company, yesterday dismissed current statements by prominent geologists of easy, substantial oil strikes prospects in the triassic strata of this country as "a lot of irresponsible chatter."

"Given time and the means to do the job there are reasonable chances that additional oil will be found," he said, but stressed that much more research and systematic prospecting were required.

He recommended that prospecting be continued at a rate of some 20-25 drillings per year. This would require an annual outlay of IL80m.

He denied reports that there had been any speed-up in Lapidot's drilling activities, and said that at the moment only two wells are being sunk. He hoped, however, to have at least two more wells under way before the end of the current year.

Hermion now a nature reserve

TEL AVIV. — The part of Mount Hermion that is in Israel hands has been declared a nature reserve, it was announced here yesterday. The decree, signed by Aluf Rafael Eytan, O.C. Northern Command, covers an area of 70,000 dunams, and includes the old site and the slopes of Wadi Assal.

According to the Nature Reserves Authority, the area abounds in flora and fauna of a kind unknown in lower parts of the country.

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Two hurt by bomb in Petah Tikva



Varda Shilarov, slightly wounded by the explosion of a bomb in the Petah Tikva market yesterday. (Grinberg)

A small explosive charge went off beneath a stall in the market in Petah Tikva yesterday morning, injuring a local woman, Varda Shilarov, 42, and a man from Tulkarm who worked in the market and whose name was not obtainable.

The explosion took place at 9.10. Searches are in progress.

Scores of West Bank residents who were in the vicinity of the blast were detained for questioning. All but three were released later in the day.

In Jerusalem, an explosive device containing a kilogram of gunpowder was discovered early yesterday at the entrance to Khuzot Hayotser, the arts and crafts centre outside Jaffa Gate. The device was safely dismantled.

FOUR YOUNG people, visitors from the U.S., South Africa, Britain and France, were fined IL1,000 each by the Jerusalem Magistrate yesterday, and given three-month suspended sentences, for smoking hashish. Police said they raided a hotel room in the Old City two weeks ago and found the tourists, three men and a woman, in a "drug-induced stupor."

Fairs in Germany

Whatever your profession or business — chances are that some international event takes place in Germany this year on a subject you are interested in. Here are a few examples.

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Diplomats predict nothing can stop Cambodia's fall

PHNOM PENH (AP). — Diplomatic sources predicted yesterday nothing would save Cambodia from eventual collapse — even if the U.S. Congress votes all or part of the supplementary military aid requested by the Ford administration.

They said it will take more than money to rescue the government of President Lon Nol, pointing out that it suffers a severe manpower shortage. The diplomats also believe the vital Mekong River supply line into Phnom Penh will never be reopened.

However, U.S. Secretary of Defense James Schlesinger said yesterday in Washington that the probability is "extremely high" Cambodia could survive if Congress approves the \$222m. emergency aid. But he added: "There is no such thing as a guarantee."

President Ford told a Florida news conference the situation is "extremely critical." He said, "Cambodia will run out of ammunition in a relatively short period of time" unless it gets new aid. Pentagon officials say Cambodia will run out of essential supplies in March or early April.

Communist-led insurgents continued to shell Phnom Penh yesterday as attacks on Chinese-owned businesses by gangs of Cambodian students forced the almost total closing of the capital's business district.

Lon Nol went on television after the student attacks and accused the Khmer Rouge rebels of taking advantage of the internal difficulties of his government.

Military sources reported that government troops had to abandon a key government position on the Mekong River below Neak Luong after heavy shelling and ground attacks. Peam Rong Loeu, 58 km. southeast of Phnom Penh, was one of two footholds on the Mekong from which the government had

hoped to launch a drive to reopen the river to supply convoys from South Vietnam. The other was lost earlier.

In the field, morale was low. A 300-man government battalion retreated from a village in northwest Cambodia, heads down, saying little. The men were ragged, some barefoot.

"We are losing the battle," said Khim Saa, a sergeant whose armoured vehicle was the last out of the abandoned village. "We have armour, artillery and airplanes, but we will lose the war because the high-ranking officers do not know tactics. They are busy making money."

However, U.S. Ambassador John Gunther Dean insisted the military situation was "grim but not desperate."

"If they fail, it is not because they lack the will but because we have deprived them of the means," he said, in support of the Ford administration's aid request.

A U.S.-financed 12-day supplementary airlift of ammunition, with three DC-8 cargo jets hauling in 45 tons in up to 10 flights a day, ended yesterday. The same planes were to start hauling in rice from Saigon today. No ship convoys of ammunition, fuel or rice have reached Phnom Penh since January 30.

In recent weeks, the government has suffered one reverse after another on the Mekong. A massive amphibious landing 10 days ago ended in disaster with some field reports indicating a loss of 500 or more men.

"Even with ammunition and fuel being flown in," said one source, "there is still no manpower. What can this side do? Nothing."

He went on to say the Cambodian army's paper strength is 250,000, but many of those are "ghost soldiers" for whom commanders collect pay. In reality, they only have 180,000 soldiers at the most, and they're taking heavy casualties.



You don't have to go all the way to London to buy at Marks and Spencer's any more now there's one in Paris. Here, Sir Marcus Sieff, chairman of the firm, assists as Lady Tomkins, wife of the British Ambassador to France, cuts ribbon at the opening. (AP radio photo)

Richardson says he'd be glad to succeed Dr. K

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Elliot L. Richardson, who was sworn in as U.S. Ambassador to Britain on Tuesday, told reporters after the ceremony that he would be glad to accept an offer to become Secretary of State should Dr. Henry Kissinger resign.

But Richardson added that he could not foresee any circumstances in which Kissinger would resign. At a news conference earlier in the day, Kissinger himself dismissed reports that he would step down within the next year, saying he had made no decision.

Richardson, speaking to reporters after he was sworn in by Deputy Secretary of State Robert Ingersoll, denied a report published in the "Chicago Sun-Times" quoting him as saying he had a "two-to-one" chance of succeeding Kissinger, who would resign by next year.

Richardson denied having made any flat prediction about Kissinger's tenure or his own chances of succeeding him. "However, if I were asked to become Secretary I'm sure I would accept," he added.

LEFTIST MOB DISPERSED IN LISBON

LISBON. — Paratroops and police fired shots into the air early yesterday morning to disperse a rock-throwing mob that trapped several thousand participants at a Christian Democrat rally in the Lisbon Sports Pavilion.

Officials said that seven persons were treated for minor injuries at the scene, but that nobody was hospitalized.

The crowd had surrounded the indoor stadium and set fire to several cars to seal off its exits shortly after midnight. Paratroops supported by armoured cars and mounted policemen were rushed to the scene, where it took them more than three hours to clear the area and enable the participants to leave.

The protest against the Christian Democratic Party (PDC) was organized by the League of Union and Revolutionary Action, described here as an anarchist group. The attack against the PDC followed a number of violent left-wing attacks against public meetings held by different parties in recent weeks. The most frequent target for these attacks in the past few days has been the left-of-centre Popular Democratic Party (PPD). One of their meetings in the north over the weekend was disrupted by gunfire that wounded two men, while in the Lisbon area a bomb exploded underneath the parked car of a founding PPD member.

(UPI, Reuters)

Indian cancels trip to U.S.

NEW DELHI (AP). — Indian Foreign Minister Y.B. Chavan yesterday cancelled a projected visit to the U.S. to protest Washington's lifting of a 10-year arms embargo on Pakistan.

The announcement came shortly after Prime Minister Indira Gandhi accused the U.S. of using "mistaken arguments" to justify its decision to resume arms sales to Pakistan.

Chavan was to inaugurate with Secretary of State Henry Kissinger on March 13-14 a newly-formed joint commission designed to strengthen Indian-American relations.

"In the present circumstances, the Foreign Minister will not be able to go to Washington," said a Foreign Ministry statement. "This has been conveyed to the U.S."

Foreign Ministry sources said it was "obvious" that the joint commission will not meet as scheduled in view of the dispute over arms to Pakistan.

Mrs. Gandhi's decision to keep Chavan away from the projected meeting marks a serious setback to U.S.-Indian relations, which were just beginning to warm up following the chill brought on by American policy during the 1971 India-Pakistan war.

Franco ends Cyprus delegates want gov't crisis; ministers will stay UN in negotiations

MADRID (UPI). — Generalissimo Francisco Franco yesterday apparently ended a government crisis by telling his ministers that he wants them to stay at their jobs, with one exception, sources close to the government said.

The crisis was brought about by differences inside the cabinet over a draft decree permitting strikes under certain circumstances, and by the reported desire of Premier Carlos Arias Navarro to change part of his team, the sources said.

Spanish newspapers reported that Arias planned a cabinet shuffle which would replace as many as eight of the 19 ministers.

But the sources said Franco, 82, told Arias and the ministers that he did not think this was the time to change them.

Spain has been swept by a wave of illegal strikes and political protest in the past weeks, and political pressures have been mounting. For the first time, dissent has been voiced by some military officers and groups of civil servants.

The sources said Franco was willing to accept only the replacement of Labour Minister Licio de la Fuente who tendered his resignation on Monday. He has been asked to remain in his post for the time being.

Arias yesterday taped the first television news conference by a Spanish Premier. It was scheduled to be broadcast late last night in real time.

He was expected to defend his mildly liberal programme which has come under attack from both right and left.

Only hours before his televised press conference, Madrid University students demonstrated in support of demands for political and educational reforms. About 300 of them were dispersed by riot police in a busy street.

UNITED NATIONS. — The Cyprus delegation sought support here yesterday for a Security Council resolution imposing a three-month deadline for Turkish troop withdrawals from the island and bringing representatives of the 15-nation body into talks on a political settlement.

The suggested text appeared to counter proposals canvassed by Britain, France and Italy which essentially would reaffirm previous resolutions, regret the proclamation of a separate Turkish-Cypriot administration and call for renewed inter-communal talks.

The text, circulated as a working paper by the Cyprus delegation, was discussed yesterday at a private meeting of European Economic Community members.

It would have the council deplore "the arbitrary unilateral action purporting to set up a separate Turkish-Cypriot state in the area under the occupation of the Turkish military forces" and reaffirm council recognition of the government of the republic under President Makarios.

It would also call for the rapid withdrawal of all foreign forces from the republic and the return of refugees to their homes "within a reasonable period of time not exceeding three months."

Cyprus House of Representatives Speaker Glafcos Clerides, who leading his government's delegation urged the council to set a time limit for troop withdrawals when opened the debate last Thursday.

Yesterday's text would have the council decide to establish a city council group to seek the implementation of the General Assembly's resolution last November calling for the withdrawal of Turkish troops and a negotiated settlement. The Cyprus delegation posed that the council invite Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim to preside over talks.

The council was in recess today to give members time for consideration of the proposal presented by Britain, France and Italy.

Sources said the Europeans were not eager to sponsor the measure on their own. They preferred to have other members, especially from a "non-aligned" group, in the sponsorship.

The council has held four meetings on Cyprus. Optimistic diplomats said there was a possibility that would vote tomorrow. (Reuters, UPI)

Ulster extremists plan own police

BELFAST (UPI). — A Protestant extremist group joined the Roman Catholic Irish Republican Army yesterday in announcing plans to establish its own police force to patrol neighbourhoods under its control.

The Ulster Defence Association threatened to return Northern Ireland to a situation whereby both Catholic and Protestant neighbourhoods were banned to the province's regular police force, the Royal Ulster Constabulary.

Merlyn Rees, the British administrator charged with keeping the peace, reacted immediately with a one-line statement saying "there will be no unofficial policing in Belfast."

'TIME' REPORTS:

K hinted aid to Israel depended on flexibility

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Kissinger's talks in Jerusalem are described by this week's "Time" magazine as a "family quarrel" in which the Secretary appraised the Israeli leaders of America's internal problems and the U.S. economic recession in such blunt terms which surprised even his close aides. Kissinger is reported to have warned Israel that it must be more forthcoming toward a second-stage agreement and cannot maintain the present deadlock if it wants to rely on continuing massive economic and military aid by the U.S.

"Time" says that Israel cannot expect to get a direct non-belligerency pledge from Egypt and Kissinger envisages the possibility of an Egyptian non-belligerency memorandum to the U.S., which would then guarantee a second-stage agreement.

"Time" magazine also runs an interview with Defence Minister Shimon Peres, whom the magazine describes as the leading hawk in the Israeli cabinet — who would have a chance to become Prime Minister should the Rabin Government fall. "Time" says that one of the reasons for Kissinger's recent Middle East tour was to "rescue" Rabin from Peres.

In the interview Peres says that he would agree to a second-stage agreement with Egypt only if it would be a real step towards peace.

The settlement following the second-stage agreement must be a final peace settlement, he stressed. He would oppose giving up territory for nothing. These are salami tactics, he said.

Peres expressed the opinion that the war threat in the Middle East had been reduced. If there was a 60:40 danger of war last November, he said, then it was about 40:60 now. He said that Syria has second thoughts about resuming war because the Israeli army on the Golan Heights was properly equipped and ready for any eventuality.

Also in "Time" is a recent Yankevitch opinion poll showing that 41 per cent of those asked want to cut aid to Israel, while 37 per cent want to continue it on the same basis and eight per cent want to see an increase in American aid to Israel. Some 52 per cent oppose a U.S.-Israel defence treaty, while 35 per cent are in favour. Regarding U.S. participation in a UN peacekeeping force, 53 per cent were opposed while 41 per cent were in favour. Sixteen per cent would be ready to change their mind should the Soviet Union join such a force.

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STRIKE — A 24-hour strike by an estimated three million state employees halted trains and the mails and closed offices and schools throughout Italy yesterday.

France acts to halt drug thefts

PARIS (AP). — Interior Minister Michel Poniatowski has announced new measures intended to make it more difficult for French addicts to steal drugs. The measures came four days after four addicts died from using drugs believed to have been stolen from chemists.

Poniatowski said the measures would include the arrest of two Frenchmen whom police said smuggled a large quantity of pure heroin into the U.S. in five years.

The arrests were part of a continuing campaign against smuggling operating from France, and were connected with the drug deaths. Eight other people have been arrested since early January on charges of drug smuggling.

Poniatowski said chemists henceforth would have to place their supply of drugs inside armoured safes and in any case maintain a small quantity as possible.

Two young men who supplied drugs which led to the death of a teenager obtained at least part of the narcotics from a burglarized pharmacy. As the heroin supply of the illicit market has dwindled, such burglaries have been averaging two a night in France.

Athens arrests more officers

ATHENS (UPI). — Military authorities yesterday arrested more officers involved in a conspiracy which aimed at overthrowing the government and assassinating President Constantinos Karamanlis.

Sources close to the army said more than 70 army officers have far been rounded up in connection with the coup plot, foiled by a government on Monday.

A government spokesman on Tuesday named 37 army officers, including six generals, who were arrested and said more arrests were likely. He said, however, that the arrests did not indicate "that these officers were involved. Some were arrested only on suspicion of their close ties with leaders of the dictatorship, now in jail."

The government has refused far to disclose details of the objectives of the planned coup. Athens newspapers said the conspirators planned to assassinate Karamanlis and to impose a left-type military regime.

Railways can no longer handle massive purchases by Arabs

FRANKFURT, West Germany (Reuters). — Customers in Middle East oil-producing countries have bought so many industrial goods in Western Europe in recent months that the railways can no longer transport them, a spokesman for the West German Railways announced here.

He said the West German Railways were no longer accepting goods for the Middle East because they could not guarantee that they would reach their destination.

The spokesman said 151 railway freight wagons, loaded with more than 4,500 tons of machinery for Iran and Syria, were stuck at the East-West German border because Poland was refusing to admit more than 15 wagons a day for transit through its territory.

Transit through Turkey was almost impossible, the spokesman said, because the Turkish authorities were similarly restricting transit to 80 wagons a day and these were all required for goods from Bulgaria and Greece.

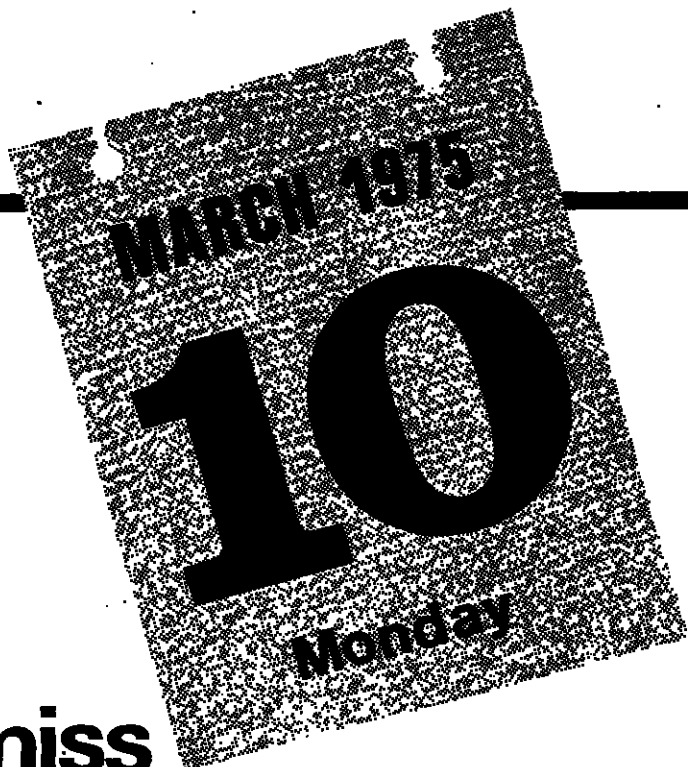
West German railway experts estimate that, including consignments from other countries, hundreds of goods vans consigned to the Middle East are piling up at various borders because transit has been restricted.

The railway transport capacity of the buyer countries is also inadequate to cope with the flood of goods arriving from Western Europe, the West German Railways say.

Goods affected include tractors, farm machinery, chemicals, cars, spare parts for road vehicles as well as refrigerators. In one case after bargaining for a month with a Communist transit country, the West German Railways had to haul a consignment of 160 automobiles destined for Iran back from the border to the port of Bremen where they were finally put aboard ship.

Forwarding agents in Munich using lorries are reporting booming business in road transport to the Middle East.

According to one press report here, some Middle East countries have ordered their own railway wagons in Turkey, Belgium and West Germany to help overcome the transport difficulties.



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Fears of Welsh, Scots nationalism UK plans central count in Market referendum

LONDON (AP). — Britain's Labour Government yesterday disclosed plans for a unique popular vote on the country's membership of the European Common Market and the proposed to abide by a majority vote.

The vote, which would be the first popular referendum in British history, is scheduled for June. Anti-market areas such as Wales and Scotland have criticized a provision counting the votes centrally for Britain, without a regional breakdown.

Yesterday's Government White Paper announcing the referendum said: "The Government has agreed to be bound by the votes of the British people as expressed in the referendum result."

They accept that the referendum result should rest on a simple majority without conditions of any kind, as if it were a single vote in an electorate of 40,000,000. The Cabinet openly divided the issue of whether Britain should stay in or quit the nine-nation European Community, the

White Paper stressed: "The period of further uncertainty over our membership of the Community should be kept as short as possible in our own interests and those of other Community governments."

(Results of Britain's efforts to obtain easier and cheaper terms of membership are likely to be known by next month.)

The Government pledged to formulate the choice for voters in a manner "free from bias," something on the lines of:

"Do you think that the United Kingdom should stay in the European Community?"

To help the voters decide, the Government said it intends to present the results of its bid for better terms, in a State document couched in simple language. There should also be:

• A non-technical presentation of the arguments for and against staying in the Community, sent to every household in the land.

• A special information unit, to provide Britons with facts about the referendum and the renegotiations.

One controversial decision the Government announced was to have a central count of the votes cast throughout the Kingdom, even though polling is to be organized in electoral divisions.

Scotland and Wales, where nationalist feeling is rising, are widely held to be against membership. If they know they are kept in the Community by the votes of Englishmen it would feed the fervor — and electoral prospects — of their nationalist parties. The Government is clearly anxious to avert this.

"The Government have taken full account of the views of those who believe the voting pattern of different parts of the United Kingdom should be made known," the White Paper said.

"But they believe the most appropriate arrangement in the special circumstances will be to count all the votes cast central and to make a single decision of the U.K. result."

It added: "The referendum is a national poll on a national issue. The constituency is the whole of the U.K."

The central count would mean it will take five days for the result to be known. The Government promised independent scrutiny of the count.

Israel handball girls to play Japan in secret

TOKYO (Reuters). — The most stringent security precautions in Japanese sports history will be taken for two forthcoming handball matches here between Japan and Israel, according to an announcement yesterday.

The Japanese Handball Association said the matches — the Asian Zone finals of the women's world championship — will be held in secret. The dates and venues of the games will not be made public, and for the first time at Japanese sports event spectators will not be permitted.

Reporters seeking the matches will be told in advance only where they should gather to be taken to the match venues.

The security surrounding the matches follows a police request around is in line with the Federation's own wishes, a spokesman said.

The winners will take part in the World Championship proper, to be held in Kiev, from December 3 to 14.

Stonehouse, mentally ill, can't stay in Australia

ANBERRA (UPI). — Australia yesterday said that John Stonehouse, the runaway member of the British Parliament, is suffering from a mental breakdown and that it cannot let him out of the country.

Immigration Minister Clyde Cameron told Parliament that Stonehouse has been refused permission to remain in Australia and will be deported within three days of his signature or expulsion from Britain's House of Commons.

"It is considered that this man (Stonehouse) has had a mental breakdown, which has resulted in a serious psychotic state of mind," Cameron said, quoting from a Department of Health report. He said Stonehouse had undergone a psychiatric examination last month.

The breakdown was due to him overloading himself with responsibilities beyond his capability to handle himself in political and business life. To this has been added

the extra strain of things beyond his control going wrong," Cameron said.

Stonehouse turned up in Melbourne, with an assumed name on Christmas eve after disappearing on a Miami Beach, Florida, beach late last year. Police said he entered the country on a false passport.

Australia had allowed him to remain in the country on the grounds that as a British Member of Parliament he was exempt from normal immigration entry requirements.

"Stonehouse now knows that once he ceases to be a member of the House of Commons he has to get out of the country," Cameron said. "He now knows he has to make plans."

Cameron also said Stonehouse could have fled from Australia any time in the last two months, and added: "He will probably try to do that now."

British economic spy was handed back to Rhodesia

HALIFAX (AP). — Rhodesian authorities have now confirmed that British economic sanctions spy Kenneth McIntosh was inside Mozambique territory when he was seized Saturday and handed back to Rhodesian authorities.

McIntosh, 38, a former banking official serving 14 years in jail for espionage and currency offences, escaped from the maximum security of Salisbury jail on February 17 with the help of British-born war veteran Peter Spencer who is now back in Britain.

He was recaptured on Saturday, according to the British Foreign Office, he had reached the Mozambique town of Vila Manica, several kilometers over the border from Rhodesia, before being handed back to the Rhodesians by Mozambique police.

In returning him to Rhodesia "the Rhodesian authorities were acting correctly and in strict accordance with the community of nations," Rhodesian Minister Desmond Lardner said in Parliament yesterday.

Sidon fishermen kill 2 in protest

SIDON, South Lebanon, (Reuters). — Two army corporals were killed and two soldiers and two civilians — including a former deputy — were injured in a clash between security men and demonstrating fishermen in this Mediterranean port yesterday, security sources said.

The fishermen were protesting against the granting of a concession to a fishing company which, they said, would deprive them of their means of livelihood.

The sources said the demonstrators hurled dynamite sticks and blocked roads. The former Sidon deputy, Maaruf Saad, was slightly injured.

An investigation was being conducted into how the clash developed, the sources added.

BOMBS — An average of one bomb a day has exploded in Pakistan since last September, police said yesterday when a bomb injured a girl and shattered windows in Feshawar, and shattered windows in Feshawar, and shattered windows in Feshawar.

The government has blamed the bombings on terrorist supporters of the now-banned National Awami Party.

Bahai spokesman says Arab boycott 'a misunderstanding'

UNITED NATIONS (Reuters). — A spokesman for the Bahai religious sect said on Tuesday that the boycotting of their religious faith by the Arab Boycott Office must be based on a misunderstanding, because its world centre is located in Haifa.

Victor De Araujo, who represents the Bahai community at the UN, where it has non-governmental consultative status, was commenting on a decision announced on Monday in Cairo.

"Since we are a purely religious organization, neither political nor commercial, there is obviously some misunderstanding, which may arise from the fact that our world centre is in Haifa," he said.

He noted that the Persian founder of the faith, Baha'ullah, was exiled to the Holy Land in 1868, when it was under Ottoman rule, and that the community's centre and shrine were in the neighbouring cities of Haifa and Acre.

De Araujo said one factor apparently weighing with the Arab Boycott Office was that the Bahai world centre received money from outside Israel.

But, he added, the Bahais were not alone in this respect. "As all religious organizations in the Holy Land undoubtedly receive money from outside the country for the upkeep of their holy places."

The greater part of the funds were spent in developing and impoverished countries, where the majority of Bahais lived, he added.

Regarding allegations that the Bahais were engaged in propaganda aimed at discrediting Arabs, he said: "Such an accusation cannot justifiably be levelled against the Bahais, the fundamental principles of whose religion require them to abstain, by word and deed, from all political activity and to promote the oneness of mankind."



TOO MANY COOKS? — Nine famous French chefs prepare lunch at the Elysée Palace in Paris on Tuesday prior to the presentation of the Legion d'Honneur to Paul Bocuse, a famous French cook. (AP radiophoto)

U.S. should 'give 'em hell' at UN

NEW YORK (AP). — Daniel Moynihan, former U.S. Ambassador to India, said the U.S. should "go into the United Nations and every other international forum and start raising hell."

He said the U.S. should no longer be defensive in the UN but should take a new position of initiative and leadership.

Moynihan, who has returned to Harvard University where he was a sociology professor before being named ambassador to India, said the U.S. should behave like the parliamentary opposition in the UN.

Discussing a recent resolution passed against Israel for its treatment of Arab prisoners of war, the UN that is not guilty of far

more creditable situations. And yet it would be unthinkable for us to make charges against third-world countries although they do so routinely against us," Moynihan said.

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A meeting of the Standing Committee of the International Non-Governmental Organizations is now taking place at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris. A copy of the following statement has been forwarded to M. Simone Troigros, Chairman of the Standing Committee.

As professors at universities in the United States and Canada, currently on leave in Israel, we wish to be associated with those thousands of our colleagues throughout the world in protesting the unjust and politically motivated anti-Israel resolutions taken by the General Conference of UNESCO.

As scholars and scientists, we are profoundly disturbed to see this educational, cultural and scientific organ of the United Nations used in the arena of political struggle.

As academicians spending several months in research in Israel, we have been impressed by the scrupulous care which is taken to preserve the physical embodiments of all the cultures and religions which have flourished in Jerusalem and we reject UNESCO claims to the contrary.

Because we still support the principles for which UNESCO was established, it is with regret that we must state that as long as these resolutions remain in effect we will not be able to cooperate with UNESCO.

Therefore we call upon our colleagues meeting in Paris to spare no efforts in ensuring that the member states of UNESCO rescind the anti-Israel decisions thereby proving its faithfulness to its own goals and enabling scholars and academics throughout the world to renew their ties with the international organization — for the benefit of the organization and the peoples of the world.

'NEWSDAY' DISCLOSES:

U.S. owns part of Arab firm active in boycott

NEW YORK (AP). — The U.S. based firm earlier this month put Government is a 6.5 per cent certain banks on a blacklist and blocked their co-managing or underwriting a \$25m. loan for Air France, banks from dealing in Eurobond issues, according to the daily newspaper "Newsday."

The paper said in a copyright story from Beirut that the Federal Government, through the Commodity Credit Corp. holds 730,468 shares, worth about \$11m., in the intra investment Co. The Lebanon-

When asked by "Newsday" about the Air France deal, Robert Fast, senior vice-president of Intra, said he personally told the French-owned Credit Lyonnais Bank, lead manager of the loan, that "we would not admit anybody on the blacklist."

None of the allegedly boycotted banks was invited to join in underwriting the loan, although they normally participate in such deals, the paper said.

The Federal Government's Commodity Credit Corp. holds one of nine seats on Intra's board of directors. It is filled by the Embassy's Agricultural Attaché, Shack Fletcher, who is authorized to say whether Intra's role in supporting the Arab boycott had been discussed in board meetings, or if it had, what the U.S.'s position had been, the paper said.

A congressional act bars government participation in such boycotts.

Daley easy winner in Chicago primary

CHICAGO (Reuters). — Mayor Richard Daley, last of America's big city bosses, has been overwhelmingly endorsed by Chicago's Democratic Party voters for a record-breaking sixth term in office.

Some 900,000 of the city's 1,500,000 registered voters went to the polls on Tuesday to vote in party primary elections to choose Democratic and Republican candidates for mayor.

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Warning on textile industry prospects

By IAN A. WIENER

DIFFERENCES over management systems and sales policy have led to the resignation of Ozer Rottenberg, General Manager of the lingerie firm of Triumph International. Rottenberg, who has held the post for the past two years, however, feels that the prospects for the local textile industry are worsening, he told *The Jerusalem Post*.

Rottenberg, now 37, came here with his family from Germany in 1947. After army service he studied textile engineering at the Philadel-

phia College of Textile and Science, later receiving his Masters degree in Industrial Engineering. Moving into hospital and computer administration at the 800-bed Brooklyn-Cumherland Medical Centre, Rottenberg became a pioneer in the field of industrial and systems engineering. In 1970 he returned to Israel and joined Triumph, the Israeli arm of the international lingerie manufacturing concern.

When he took over as General Manager in November 1970, Triumph was in the red, employing 120 workers and exporting \$300,000 worth of bras and girdles. Today, the company is in the black, with two factories (in Jerusalem and Beersheba), and a labour force of 500. Last year the firm earned \$1,700,000 in foreign currency.

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A radical rethink for the planners

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH

THE PRINCIPLES which have guided the physical development of Israel since its foundation and in fact long before — are to be re-examined for the first time by a high level study group of university experts and Government planners. *The Jerusalem Post* has learned.

Concepts such as population dispersal, the settlement of the desert and the preservation of agricultural land are among the long-accepted planning ideas to be studied for their relevance to Israel's needs between now and the Year 2000.

"There will be no sacred cows," said Prof. Elhanan Efrat, director of the Plans Division in the Interior Ministry, in a recent interview. "Most of the physical planning by which we have been drawing up plans have no value any more. The whole organization of space has to be planned in quite another way than hitherto."

Prof. Efrat is one of a three-man team which has been attempting to work out a framework for the study. The others are the Ministry's research director, Yehayahu Barzel, and Prof. Shalom Reichman of the Hebrew University Geography Department. The study itself is to be carried out by an interdisciplinary team working under the direction of the Israel Academy of Sciences.

Although the governments of the U.S. and other countries have commissioned similar studies from government teams or outside "think tanks," this is the first time, according to Prof. Reichman, that there will be a joint effort by Government decision-makers and the highest scientific body in the land.

Following are some of the concepts which Prof. Efrat suggests be reconsidered:

● The size of towns. Most new towns built in Israel since 1948 have failed to work, Prof. Efrat said, because they are too small to support a broad range of facilities.

● The idea of towns serving as centres for a surrounding hinterland. This is a 19th century European concept, says Prof. Efrat, that might better be replaced in Israel by strings of towns.

● Desert agricultural settlements. "It was a wonderful idea when we talked about it 20 years ago," says Prof. Efrat. "But now we should keep on following it." Severe limitations of soil and water supplies makes these settlements extremely costly. "We need a different strategy. Maybe in the Negev we should have two or three big urban centres between Beersheba and Eilat, each with 10-15,000 residents."

● Population dispersal. It hasn't worked as planned, says Prof. Efrat, and should be looked at again.

● Hill country. This has been utilized until now for agricultural settlements based on orchards and poultry. Prof. Efrat suggests that it might be better to put industry there as in Switzerland.

There are other questions. Should Israel seek to concentrate its resources on certain specialities such as science-based industries? Should Israel make security considerations a greater factor in physical planning?

While Prof. Efrat stressed the aspects of physical planning that need re-examining, Prof. Reichman would like the study group to relate the problems of physical planning with social planning. Han Kibinsky, Director-General of the Interior Ministry, said that the study should go under way this summer with the participation of the Academy which has given its approval in principle. It is expected to take three years.

While these new guidelines are being considered, however, physical planning will be proceeding apace on the basis of existing concepts. The Housing Ministry's controversial five-year development plan is currently before the Government and the Jewish Agency Settlement Department this month revealed plans for 80 new rural settlements in the next three years. In addition, district outline plans for the entire country are now in the process of completion.

If the new concepts adopted are a radical departure from the old, it may prove a difficult wrench adjusting to them.

In the Supreme Court sitting as Court of Civil Appeals

Before the Deputy President (Justice Sussman), Justices Eitoni and Kahn.

Shmuel Cohen, Appellant, v. Moshe Grodzinsky, Respondent (C.A. 231/74)

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post

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The validity date of post-dated cheques

The Supreme Court dismissed an appeal against a judgment of the Haifa District Court, delivered on May 22, 1974 (149/74).

The issue between the parties centred on the question of when the cause of action arises and the period of limitation starts running in the case of post-dated cheques. The Haifa District Court decided in favour of the respondent, that despite the provisions of section 73A of the Bills of Exchange Ordinance the period of limitation in the case of a post-dated cheque commences from the day the cheque is presented and is dishonoured.

Section 73A provides that: "A cheque issued before the day stated thereon as the date of the cheque, or issued without any date, shall be payable upon issue, and the day of issue shall, to all intents and purposes, be deemed to be the date of the cheque."

In the appeal to the Supreme Court, Mr. E. Ben Haim appeared for the appellant and Mr. I. Shatzky for the respondent.

Judgment

Justice Eitoni, who delivered the first opinion of the Supreme Court, noted at the outset that the problem of post-dated cheques has vexed the courts of other countries no less than those of Israel. But, he noted further, while in England, for example, the practice of giving post-dated cheques was confined to small tradesmen, in Israel a much broader section of the public indulged in this practice. The incentives for using this method of payment, he continued, varied from the desire to circumvent the payment of the stamp duty imposed on ordinary promissory notes to the creditor's preference for cheques because of the unpleasant consequences in for any debtor who failed to honour his cheque, with the result that his good name in commercial circles was tarnished, while he also ran the risk of criminal prosecution for giving a cheque without cover.

The legislature had sought to eradicate this bad habit of post-dated cheques, Justice Eitoni went on to point out, by enacting section 73A of the Bills of Exchange Ordinance, which makes post-dated cheques payable upon issue. However, he continued, this amendment to the law, and the criminal sanctions against issuing cheques without cover, failed to have the necessary effect, it being common knowledge that the good will of the holders of post-dated cheques has kept the institution alive, and that until such time as the legislature decides to make the issuing of post-dated cheques illegal, such cheques will continue to be accepted and valid.

Returning to the case under consideration, Justice Eitoni noted that the appellant had attempted to punish the respondent for the good will the latter had displayed by not exploiting his legal right to present the former's post-dated cheques for immediate payment. But this was certainly not the intention of the legislature, who had sought to draw the drawer's attention to the risk that a post-dated cheque would be presented for immediate payment, and had not intended punishing the holder of a post-dated cheque for agreeing to postpone presentation of the cheque for payment.

Furthermore, continued Justice Eitoni, there is no doubt whatsoever that the legislature's purpose, in section 73A, had been to give post-dated cheques the same status as ordinary cheques and that there had been no intention of giving such cheques a privileged position vis-à-vis the ordinary cheque (see also Cr. A. 108/66, 4 P.D. 20/253). Since, therefore, in the case of an ordinary cheque it is only when it is dishonoured by non-payment after presentation to the bank that a right of recourse against the drawer of the cheque accrues to the holder, and it is from this date that the period of limitation starts to run, there was no reason he held, why the same rule should not apply to post-dated cheques.

He therefore thought, concluded Justice Eitoni, that the District

Court's decision — that for purposes of reckoning the period of limitation it would assume that the cheques in question had been presented for payment (and dishonoured) on the dates inscribed on them — was, in accordance both with the letter and spirit of the law and with the facts before the court, well-founded. The appeal should, therefore, be dismissed.

Justice Sussman, with whom Justice Kahn concurred, noted that section 73A deems post-dated cheques to be cheques payable immediately upon issue "to all intents and purposes." That means, he held, that the law ignores the later date registered on the cheque and if the holder thereof presents it for payment before that date the bank may cash it. Furthermore, he continued, a post-dated cheque is subject to the criminal sanctions provided for in section 14 of the Penal Law Amendment (Deceit, Blackmail and Extortion) Law, 1963, with the result that whoever gives a post-dated cheque in the knowledge that at the time it was given there was no cover for it would be committing a criminal offence (see Cr. A. 105/68). On the other hand, anyone who issues a post-dated cheque at a time when there is cover therefor, would not be criminally liable even if on the later date registered on the cheque there proves to be no cover therefor (see Cr. A. 297/74).

But, continued Justice Sussman, although the law, as contained in section 73A, requires the courts to treat a post-dated cheque as though it were an ordinary cheque with the date on it being the day of issue, it does not require them to do more than this. So that just as in the case of an ordinary cheque the holder may agree to postpone presenting it for payment till a certain date and would then not be entitled to sue the drawer for non-payment of the cheque if he presented it for payment before that date and it was dishonoured by the bank, so would the holder of a post-dated cheque not be entitled to sue the drawer thereof if he presented the cheque for payment before the date stated thereon and it was dishonoured. In other words, he continued, although the drawer of a post-dated cheque exposes himself to the risk of having the cheque cashed before the date stated thereon, he would have a good defence, based on breach of agreement, if the holder of the cheque attempted to sue him in the event that the cheque was not honoured when he the holder presented it for payment before the date registered on it.

The result, concluded Justice Sussman, is that the period of limitation could not run from any date prior to that registered on the cheque as it is only from that date that the holder of the cheque would be entitled (by virtue of his agreement with the drawer to wait until this date for payment), to sue the latter for non-payment of the cheque.

For this reason, therefore, the appeal should be dismissed.

Appeal dismissed with IL\$5,000 costs.

Judgment given on January 9, 1975.

MUSIC

Saved by the conductor

THE FIRST IPO Musica Viva concert of the season (Tel-Aviv, Mann Auditorium, Feb. 22), was more like a last-minute improvisation than a well-planned event. Of the eight items, on the programme seven were chamber music or solo pieces which could have been included in almost any ordinary concert. The evening was saved by conductor Tilton Thomas, who captivated everyone with his witty explanations, his live demonstrations at the keyboard and his vitality.

The concert opened with brass music by old masters: Schein, Holborne, Coleman and the great Gabrieli, played by the excellent Israel Philharmonic Brass Quintet, a group which has by now made a name for itself. Zeev Steinberg's "Little Suite" for Bass, Flute, and violin, which is played simultaneously of interest but is too long to hold one's attention. Sergio Feldman was nevertheless the devoted performer, doing his best for both composition and instrument. Cage's Sonatas & Interludes for prepared piano, are, as Mr. Thomas rightly pointed out, already classics, but which Boris Kozman at the keyboard, their rhythmic and melodic patterns assumed new significance. It is the third time, I had heard Bergman play these pieces and each performance brought out more of their beauties and hidden secrets.

Cage's Sonatas were followed by

Luciano Berio's "Impressions" for orchestra. Mr. Thomas gave explanations, but despite his efforts the work remained a closed book. Not because of its complexity, there is in fact no complexity at all, but because of the peculiar use of a repetitious melodic formula, progressing through the whole work, and the rather static, almost monotonous but is also reminiscent of Messiaen and possibly of Far Eastern Gamelan music. Perhaps one needs to hear the music still more often in order to fathom its real meaning.

Fortunately, Berio was followed by Steve Reich's "Piano Phases", which proved the most stimulating and exciting item of the evening. Reich uses one rhythmic-melodic pattern which is played simultaneously at various pitch levels. At first you hear one pattern, in unison. Then slowly the rhythms change and new combinations emerge. There is a constant shift of two patterns within the limits of a static framework an obsessively repeated formula. There is no development, only change. As one listens, the music seems to be a constant variation within a closed circle. I found this analogy strikingly interesting. Tilton Thomas and Eido Neumark were the two brilliant performers.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

Proving that music can be fun

THE FURIM CONCERT held at the Targ Music Centre in Eilat Karmel on Monday (Feb. 24) showed that music can be fun. A merry and relaxed atmosphere was created by the use of costumes, and the music offered included arias and duets by Mozart, Rossini and Purcell, sung expertly by our popular soprano team Adi Elzohar-Zak and Cilla Grossmeyer. "Infant prodigies" were presented: Dora Schwartzberg playing a version of Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto on the Cello, and an anonymous horn-player dedicated "Celeste Aida" to Idi Amin's wife (he skillfully demonstrated every possible (and impossible) wrong note that can be produced on the French Horn. Duo-Planists Bracha Eden and Alexander Tamir played a love duet and based on the Sonata by Poulenc with a great and convincing show of emotion.

YOHANAN BOEHM

CINEMA

Science-fiction love

Quest for Love (Limor, Tel Aviv), is a love story with a science-fiction background. Starring Joan Collins, Tom Bell and Denham Elliot and directed by Ralph Thomas, it is based on John Wyndham's short story "Random Quest". Bell plays London scientist Colin Trafford, who following an explosion during one of his experiments, suddenly finds himself a famous writer, with a lovely wife named Otilie (Joan Collins). The plot is based on a theory that time can split in two at certain points in history, and Trafford is in fact living parallel lives in two separate worlds, in each of which he developed as a totally different individual.

Unfortunately, this intriguing "fourth dimension" aspect of the story is not skilfully examined or sufficiently explained, and the stress is very much on the love affairs between Trafford and Otilie, with Denham Elliot appearing as their best friend. Though the piece is rather novelettish at times, the three

main actors manage largely to offset this by the conviction they give to their roles. There are also good performances from every member of the cast, and, in the tradition of the British cinema, the small parts are all particularly well played. Quite interesting, despite its shortcomings.

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